#### **Supporting Information**

For

## Palladium(II) thiocarboxamide complexes: Synthesis, characterisation and application to catalytic Suzuki coupling reactions

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#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data for the coupling compounds:

**4-Methoxybiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.46 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.20 (m, 1H),

6.90 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.77(s, 3H) ppm.

**4-Chloro-4'-methoxybiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.48-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H),

6.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4'-Methoxy-4-methylbiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H),

3.77 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4, 4'-Dimethoxybiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H),

6.97(d, *J* = 8.8Hz, 1H), 6.77(d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 6H) ppm.

**4-Methylbiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.96 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 4H), 7.54-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H),

2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4-Chloro-4'-methylbiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 8.21-8.19 (m, 2H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.23-7.18 (m, 2H),

2.34 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4, 4'-Dimethylbiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.41-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.17-7.13 (m, 4H), 2.30 (s, 6H) ppm.

**4-Methoxy-4'-methylbiphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.41-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.24-7.13 (m, 4H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**5'-methyl-1,1':3',1"-terphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.95 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74-7.54 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 5H),

2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4,4"-dichloro-5'-methyl-1,1':3',1"-terphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.60-7.51 (m, 4H), 7.44-7.24 (m, 4H), 6.98-6.76 (m, 3H),

2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**4,4",5'-trimethyl-1,1':3',1"-terphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.33 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H),

7.08 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 6H) ppm.

**4,4"-dimethoxy-5'-methyl-1,1':3',1"-terphenyl:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.40-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0Hz, 4H),

6.88 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2-Phenylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 8.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.46 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H),

7.21 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Chlorophenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 8.04 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H),

7.42 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Methylphenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 8.05 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67-7.55 (m, 4H),

7.23 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Methoxyphenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 8.30-8.07 (m, 4H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H),

3.80 (s, 3H) ppm.

**5-Methyl-2-phenylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.94 (m, 2H), 7.75-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.45 (d, *J* =7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Chlorophenyl)-5-Methylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H),

7.40 (d, *J* = 8.4Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Methylphenyl)-5-Methylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 8.49 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.44 (m, 2H),

7.22 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2-(4'-Methoxyphenyl)-5-Methylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 8.40 (s, 1H), 7.41-7.34 (m, 4H), 7.15 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H) ppm.

**2, 6-Diphenylpyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 6H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 5H) ppm.

**2, 6-Bis-(4'-chlorophenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (400 MHz) 7.94 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.53 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 5H) ppm.

**2, 6-Bis-(4'-methylphenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.8Hz, 4H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.40-6.94 (m, 3H), 2.31 (s, 6H) ppm.

**2, 6-Bis-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyridine:** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> (400 MHz) 7.89-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 1H),

6.89 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 3.77 (s, 6H) ppm.

## Table S1: Elemental Analysis data for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide complexes

Complexes	Empirical	Calculated (Found)			
	Formula	C%	Н%	N%	S%
$[Pd(Cl)(\kappa^2-S,N-C_6H_4CS=N-(2-ClPh)(PPh_3)] (2a)$	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>23</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> PPdS	55.27(55.09)	3.56(3.54)	4.30(4.28)	4.92(4.90)
$[Pd(Cl)(\kappa^2-S,N-C_6H_4CS=N-(2-MePh)(PPh_3)] (2b)$	C <sub>31</sub> H <sub>26</sub> ClN <sub>2</sub> PPdS	58.96(58.81)	4.15(4.17)	4.44(4.46)	5.08(5.05)
$[Pd(Cl)(\kappa^2-S, N-C_6H_4CS=N-(4-MePh)(PPh_3)] (2c)$	C <sub>31</sub> H <sub>26</sub> ClN <sub>2</sub> PPdS	58.96(59.10)	4.15(4.18)	4.44(4.42)	5.08(5.09)
$[Pd(Cl)(\kappa^{2}-S, N-C_{6}H_{4}CS=N-(4-Py)(PPh_{3})] (2d)$	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>23</sub> ClN <sub>3</sub> PPdS	56.32(56.17)	3.75(3.72)	6.79(6.76)	5.18(5.18)

## Table S2: Selected IR spectral data of Pd(II) thiocarboxamide complexes

	V <sub>(C-S)</sub>	V <sub>(C=N)</sub>
Complexes	$(cm^{-1})$	$(cm^{-1})$
2a	1281	1562
2b	1275	1545
2c	1267	1549
2d	1277	1553

# Table S3: <sup>1</sup>H & <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectral data of Pd(II) thiocarboxamide complexes

Complexes		<sup>31</sup> P NMR data (ppm)		
	Ar–H (t)(1-H)	Ar–H, PPh <sub>3</sub> (m)	CH <sub>3</sub> (s)	PPh <sub>3</sub> (s)
2a	9.58(d)	7.65-7.25	-	30.76
2b	9.58	7.93-6.86	2.10	31.03
2c	9.79	7.89-6.99	2.25	30.92
2d	9.59	8.34-6.85	-	30.59



Figure S1: <sup>1</sup>H NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2a



Figure S2: <sup>1</sup>H NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2b



Figure S3: <sup>1</sup>H NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex **2c** 



Figure S4: <sup>1</sup>H NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2d



Figure S5: <sup>31</sup>P NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2a



Figure S6: <sup>31</sup>P NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex **2b** 



Figure S7: <sup>31</sup>P NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex **2c** 



Figure S8: <sup>31</sup>P NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2d



Figure S9: <sup>13</sup>C NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2a



Figure S10: <sup>13</sup>C NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex **2b** 



Figure S11: <sup>13</sup>C NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex **2c** 



Figure S12: <sup>13</sup>C NMR for Pd(II) thiocarboxamide Complex 2d